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Sent: 1/25/2021 5:37:25 PM

To: Robbins, Chris [Robbins.Chris@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Happy to be joining OP & Introductions

Thanks for sharing – hoping to set up a discussion w her soon

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From: Robbins, Chris < Robbins. Chris@epa.gov> **Sent:** Monday, January 25, 2021 12:06 PM

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From: "Shah, Surabhi" <<u>Shah.Surabhi@epa.gov</u>>
Date: January 25, 2021 at 11:13:48 AM EST
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From: Arroyo, Victoria < Arroyo. Victoria@epa.gov>

Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 11:12 AM

To: OP-Everyone < OPEveryone@epa.gov >

Subject: Happy to be joining OP & Introductions

Dear OP Colleagues,

I hope this message finds you all well. I am delighted to return to EPA and to lead the Office of Policy as Associate Administrator. It is a privilege to be here among such dedicated, resilient, and brilliant professionals.

As I'm sure you all know, President Biden has clearly articulated several priorities in which EPA will have a key role: Addressing and preparing for climate change; advancing racial equity and supporting underserved communities; rolling back regulations that harm public health and the environment; relying

on science and on sound economic analysis, and more. President Biden has communicated these priorities clearly – through his spoken word, and now, through Executive Orders. Phil Fine and I are excited to work with all of you on these important issues.

Working to protect the environment and improve public health has been my passion since I was very young, growing up in New Orleans concerned about toxic chemical exposures in our drinking water and air. My first full-time job out of graduate school was working on air toxics regulation in EPA's Office of Air & Radiation, and I've also had the opportunity to support reduction of air toxics and criteria pollutants in my home state's Department of Environmental Quality and in EPA's Office of Research & Development. For the last two decades, my focus has been on climate change, leading policy analysis and federal engagement at the Pew Center on Climate Change for ten years and then launching and leading the Georgetown Climate Center, supporting state and local efforts to reduce emissions and prepare for climate impacts, informing the federal dialogue with lessons from the states, and teaching the next generation of lawyers and leaders. I'm thrilled to return now to lead EPA's Office of Policy and to work with colleagues across the agency and the federal family to carry out the mission of EPA and support the Administration's priorities on climate, equity, and more. With your tireless help and unparalleled expertise, we now have an opportunity to set the country—and the world—on a cleaner, safer path, and to create a brighter future for all.

As incoming Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Phil is also eager to work with you and excited to bring his ideas and experience at the largest local air district in the country to the EPA. As you may know, he comes from an academic and technical background, but also has been immersed in policy, planning, and regulatory development over the past ten years. So I know he will also be very attuned to the perspective of career staff and will be very supportive of your work. He is looking forward to diving into those technical discussions and learning as much as possible. We look forward to getting to know you and to rolling up our sleeves and working with each of you in the upcoming days and weeks and to meeting you soon at an upcoming "all hands" meeting. Thank you for the warm welcome to the Office of Policy!

All best, Vicki and Phil

Victoria Arroyo, Associate Administrator for Policy

Vicki Arroyo returns to EPA after having served as Executive Director of the Georgetown Climate Center for 12 years, leading work on climate law and policy and supporting leading states and cities in their efforts to address and prepare for climate change. Previously she served at the Pew Center on Global Climate Change as Vice President for Policy Analysis and General Counsel where she directed Pew's policy analysis, science, adaptation, economics, and U.S. policy programs for a decade and was Managing Editor of the Center's book, Climate Change: Science, Strategies and Solutions. She was recently Chair of the Executive Committee of the Transportation Research Board of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine and has served on numerous other boards and committees advising the National Science Foundation, the National Center for Atmospheric Research, the U.S. Energy Information Administration, and the California Air Resources Board, and as Associate Editor of the journal Climate Policy. Vicki previously served in two offices at EPA, the Office of Air and Radiation and the Office of Research and Development, where she reviewed development of standards under the Clean Air Act. Vicki also served as Policy Director for the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, drafting legislation that reduced toxic air pollution by 50% and linking tax breaks to firms' environmental records. She was elected to the American College of Environmental Lawyers in 2018 and holds a B.S. in biology from Emory and a M.P.A. from Harvard and a J.D. from Georgetown.

Philip Fine, Principal Deputy Associate Administrator for Policy

Dr. Fine joins EPA after a 15-year career at the South Coast Air Quality Management District in Southern California. He most recently served as the Deputy Executive Officer for the Planning, Rule Development & Area Sources Division, where he oversaw all activities of the Division, including development of State Implementation Plans and Air Quality Management Plans, strategies and regulations for air pollution control, meteorology and forecasting, air quality evaluation, air toxics risk assessment, emissions inventories, socioeconomic analyses, transportation programs, and enforcement for area sources. Prior to this role, Dr. Fine's previous responsibilities at South Coast AQMD included oversight of ambient air monitoring, laboratory services, quality assurance, and source testing. Dr. Fine served on the California Air Resources Board's legislatively mandated Research Screening Committee, and has also served on several EPA Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee expert panels. Before joining the South Coast AQMD, Dr. Fine was a Research Assistant Professor at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles where he taught courses and conducted extensive research on particulate pollution, air monitoring technologies, and exposure assessment. He has over 50 peer-reviewed scientific publications to date. He received his Ph.D. from the California Institute of Technology in Environmental Science & Engineering, and his bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering and Materials Science & Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley.